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EXDIS: FOR AMBASSADOR L INOWITZ FROM CHRISTOPHER

E.O. 12065: RDS-1 - 1/30/99 (CHRISTOPHER, WARREN)

AGS: OVTP (CHRISTOPHER, WARREN), (BRZEZINSKI, ZBIGNIEW), SA

SUBJECT: BRZEZINSKI CHRISTOPHER VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA

1. IN VIEW OF YOUR OWN VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA, I WANTED YOU TO BE AWARE OF PURPOSE OF STOP ZBIGNIEW AND I WILL BE MAKING THERE AFTER WE GO TO PAKISTAN. FOCUS OF OUR SAUDI STOP WILL BE TO BRIEF SAG ON OUR DISCUSSIONS

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WE WILL, OF COURSE, BE PREPARED TO DEAL WITH A BROADER RANGE OF ISSUES AND TO PUT OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH PAKISTAN IN THE CONTEXT OF OUR OVERALL STRATEGY FOR DEALING WITH THE SITUATION IN SOUTHWEST ASIA AND SURROUNDING AREA

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2. WE DO NOT INTEND TO GET INTO THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS

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OTHER THAN GENERAL ASSURANCES OF US DETERMINATION TO PURSUE THE PEACE PROCESS AND OF OUR UNDERSTANDING OF ITS RELATIONSHIP TO OUR BROAD STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES IN THE WIDER REGION. SINCE THE SAUDIS, HOWEVER, ARE SOMETIMES INCLINED TO DWELL ON THIS ISSUE, WE WOULD FEEL FORTIFIED BY HAVING IN HAND IN ISLAMABAD AT LEAST A CAPSULE ACCOUNT OF YOUR OWN DISCUSSIONS IN SAUDI ARABIA.

3. BEST WISHES ON YOUR SAUDI STOP WHERE WE ARE COUNTING ON YOU TO SWEETEN THE ATMOSPHERE FOR OUR EFFORTS.

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